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Registration and Title Bulletin #36-00

To: ALL COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTORS

Subject: REVISED NEW YORK STATE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

PURPOSE:

To inform you of revisions made to the New York State Certificate of Title (MV-999) (11/99).

DETAILS:

New York State began issuing the new Certificate of Title on April 18, 2000. All previously issued versions of the title remain valid. A copy of the revised title is attached for your information.

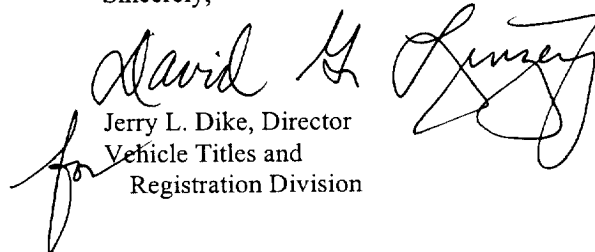
The revised title has the following changes:

- The document is now laser-printed on 8-1/2" x 11" paper and has a detachable section at the top that is used for the mailing address. After the address section is removed, the actual title document is 8-1/2" x 8". This is larger than our previous 7" x 8" title document;
- a two-dimensional bar code has been added to the front of the document. The vehicle and owner information that is printed on the title is encoded in the bar code using AAMVA and New York State DMV standards. Comparison of the printed data with the information found in the bar code to verify a title's validity can now be accomplished;
- reverse block print, light print on a black background, is used for entering data in the VIN field, "Title and Identification No.", as well as the "Odometer Reading" field. This is a security feature since it is difficult to alter reverse printed data without evidence of tampering;
- minor text changes have been made in the odometer and damage disclosure statements; and
- the front of the new title is the same combination of blue and pink, but the pink shading on the back of the new title has been replaced with a combination of two shades of blue.

CONTACT(S):

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact your local TxDOT Vehicle Titles and Registration Division Regional Office or the Customer Help Desk at (512) 465-7611. Thank you.

Sincerely,


Jerry L. Dike, Director
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Attachment

cc: Dealer Associations
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